## Amendments to the Abstract

Please **amend** the Abstract to read.

-- A system (100) and corresponding methods (205-265) are provided for enabling the automatic generation of a slate using metadata. The method comprises the steps of: receiving a request to provide a user with a list of video media assets so the user can select a video media asset to generate a slate (210); providing the user with the list of video media assets (220) and receiving a selected video media asset from the user (225); acquiring metadata associated with the selected video media asset (230), creating a preview of the slate by generating fields that are associated with the acquired metadata (235), generating the slate in response to the user's approval of the previewed slate (250); transmitting the slate to a video server (255); and editing the slate into the selected video media asset (260) so the slate and the video media asset can be viewed in conjunction with each other, thereby providing the user (via the slate) with information about the video media asset such as the video media asset's name, duration, database location, etc.--